Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (original): A triazole compound represented by the following formula:

wherein

R¹ is an alkyl group or a cycloalkyl group

wherein the alkyl group and the cycloalkyl group are optionally substituted by 1 to 5 substituents each independently selected from a halogen atom, -CF₃, -OH,

-NH₂, an alkoxy group, a cycloalkyl group, an alkenyl group, -COOH, -CO-O-alkyl, -CO-N(\mathbb{R}^7)(\mathbb{R}^8), -N(\mathbb{R}^7)-CO- \mathbb{R}^8 , an aryl group and a heteroaryl group

wherein R⁷ and R⁸ are each independently a hydrogen atom or an alkyl group, and the aryl group and the heteroaryl group are optionally substituted by 1 to 3 substituents each independently selected from a halogen atom, a haloalkyl group, an alkyl group,

- $(CH_2)_n$ -OH, - $N(R^9)(R^{10})$, -CN, - NO_2 , an alkoxy group, a cycloalkyl group, an alkenyl group, -CO- R^{11} , an aryl group and a heteroaryl group

wherein n is 0-3, R^9 and R^{10} are each independently a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group or -CO-alkyl, and R^{11} is -OH, an alkoxy group, an alkyl group or

 $-N(R^{12})(R^{13})$ wherein R^{12} and R^{13} are each independently a hydrogen atom or an alkyl group;

Y is a cycloalkyl group or a heterocycloalkyl group

wherein the cycloalkyl group and the heterocycloalkyl group are optionally substituted by 1 to 3 substituents each independently selected from a halogen atom, a haloalkyl group, an alkyl group,

- $(CH_2)_n$ -OH, - $N(R^9)(R^{10})$, -CN, - NO_2 , an alkoxy group, a cycloalkyl group, an alkenyl group, -CO- R^{11} , an aryl group and a heteroaryl group (n, R^9 , R^{10} and R^{11} are as defined above);

Ar¹ is an aryl group or a heteroaryl group;

R² and R³

are each independently a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, a haloalkyl group, an alkyl group, - $(CH_2)_n$ -OH, - $N(R^9)(R^{10})$, -CN, -NO₂, an alkoxy group, a cycloalkyl group, an alkenyl group, -CO- R^{11} , an aryl group or a heteroaryl group

wherein the aryl group and the heteroaryl group are optionally substituted by 1 to 3 substituents each independently selected from a halogen atom, a haloalkyl group, an alkyl group, $-(CH_2)_n$ -OH,

 $-N(R^9)(R^{10})$, -CN, $-NO_2$, an alkoxy group, a cycloalkyl group, an alkenyl group, $-CO-R^{11}$, an aryl group and a heteroaryl group (n, R^9 , R^{10} and R^{11} are as defined above);

Z is
$$-(CH(R^{14}))_p$$
, $-(CH(R^{14}))_p$ - $N(R^{16})$ - $(CH(R^{15}))_q$ - or



wherein Y₁ is a cycloalkyl group or a heterocycloalkyl group

wherein the cycloalkyl group and the heterocycloalkyl group are optionally substituted by 1 to 3 substituents each independently selected from a halogen atom, a haloalkyl group, an alkyl group, $-(CH_2)_n$ -OH, $-N(R^9)(R^{10})$, -CN, $-NO_2$, an alkoxy group, a

cycloalkyl group, an alkenyl group, -CO-R¹¹, an aryl group and a heteroaryl group (n, R⁹, R¹⁰ and R¹¹ are as defined above),

p is 0-3, q is 0-3, R^{14} and R^{15} are each independently a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, a haloalkyl group, an alkyl group, -(CH₂)_n-OH, -N(R^9)(R^{10}), -CN, -NO₂, an alkoxy group, a cycloalkyl group, an alkenyl group,

-CO-R¹¹, an aryl group or a heteroaryl group

wherein the aryl group and the heteroaryl group are optionally substituted by 1 to 3 substituents each independently selected from a halogen atom, a haloalkyl group, an alkyl group, -(CH₂)_n-OH,

 $-N(R^9)(R^{10})$, -CN, $-NO_2$, an alkoxy group, a cycloalkyl group, an alkenyl group, $-CO-R^{11}$, an aryl group and a heteroaryl group (n, R^9 , R^{10} and R^{11} are as defined above), and

 R^{16} is a hydrogen atom, a haloalkyl group, an alkyl group, -(CH₂)_n-OH, -(CH₂)_n-CO-R¹¹, a cycloalkyl group, an alkenyl group, an aryl group or a heteroaryl group

wherein the aryl group and the heteroaryl group are optionally substituted by 1 to 3 substituents each independently selected from a halogen atom, a haloalkyl group, an alkyl group, -(CH₂)_n-OH,

 $-N(R^9)(R^{10})$, -CN, -NO₂, an alkoxy group, a cycloalkyl group, an alkenyl group, -CO- R^{11} , an aryl group and a heteroaryl group (n, R^9 , R^{10} and R^{11} are as defined above);

Ar² is an aryl group, a heteroaryl group or

$$W_1 \longrightarrow X_1$$
, $W_1 \longrightarrow X_1$ or $X_1 \longrightarrow X_1$

wherein X_1 is -(CH₂)₁- wherein t is 0-2, V_1 is =CH- or =N-, and W_1 is -C(R¹⁷)(R¹⁸)-, -O-, -S-, -SO₂-, -SO-, -CO- or

$$-N(R^{19})-$$

wherein R^{17} and R^{18} are each independently a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group, an alkoxy group, a haloalkyl group, -(CH₂)_r-OH, -CO-R²⁰, -N(R²¹)(R²²) or -L₁-Ar³

wherein r is 0-3, R²⁰ is -OH, an alkoxy group, an alkoxyalkyl group or -N(R²³)(R²⁴)

wherein R^{23} and R^{24} are each independently a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group, -(CH₂)_s-OH, an alkoxyalkyl group, or in combination form

$$-N$$
 X_2

wherein s is 0-3, X_2 is -O-, -(CH₂)_t- or -N(R²⁵)-

wherein t is as defined above and R^{25} is a hydrogen atom, -CO- R^{26} , -SO₂- R^{26} or -(CH₂)_u-Ar⁴

wherein R^{26} is an alkyl group, an alkoxy group, -NH-alkyl or -N(-alkyl)₂, u is 0-3, and Ar^4 is an aryl group or a heteroaryl group wherein the aryl group and the heteroaryl group are optionally substituted by 1 to 3 substituents each independently selected from a halogen atom, a haloalkyl group, an alkyl group, -(CH₂)_n-OH,

 $-N(R^9)(R^{10})$, -CN, $-NO_2$, an alkoxy group, a cycloalkyl group, an alkenyl group, $-CO-R^{11}$, an aryl group and a heteroaryl group (n, R^9 , R^{10} and R^{11} are as defined above),

$$L_1$$
 is -(CH₂)_v-, -O- or -CO-

wherein v is 0-3, and

Ar³ is an aryl group or a heteroaryl group wherein the aryl group and the heteroaryl group are optionally substituted by 1 to 3 substituents each independently selected from a

halogen atom, a haloalkyl group, an alkyl group, $-(CH_2)_n$ -OH, $-N(R^9)(R^{10})$, -CN, $-NO_2$, an alkoxy group, a cycloalkyl group, an alkenyl group,

-CO-R¹¹, an aryl group and a heteroaryl group (n, R⁹, R¹⁰ and R¹¹ are as defined above), and

 R^{21} and R^{22} are each independently a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group, -CO-alkyl, -CO-O-alkyl or -L₁-Ar³ (L₁ and Ar³ are as defined above), and

 R^{19} is a hydrogen atom, -CO- R^{26} , -SO₂- R^{26} or -(CH₂)_u-Ar⁴ (R^{26} , u and Ar⁴ are as defined above); and

R⁴ and R⁵

are each independently a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, -OH, -NO₂, -CN, an alkyl group, an alkoxy group, -CO-R²⁷, -SO₂-R²⁷, -CO-N(R²⁸)(R²⁹) or -N(R³⁰)(R³¹)

wherein the alkyl group and the alkoxy group are optionally substituted by 1 to 5 substituents each independently selected from a halogen atom, -CF₃, -OH, an alkoxy group, a haloalkoxy group, -N(R^9)(R^{10}), -CN, -NO₂, a cycloalkyl group, an alkenyl group, -CO- R^{11} , an aryl group and a heteroaryl group (R^9 , R^{10} and R^{11} are as defined above),

wherein the aryl group and the heteroaryl group are optionally substituted by 1 to 3 substituents each independently selected from a halogen atom, a haloalkyl group, an alkyl group, $-(CH_2)_n$ -OH,

 $-N(R^9)(R^{10})$, -CN, -NO₂, an alkoxy group, a cycloalkyl group, an alkenyl group, -CO- R^{11} , an aryl group and a heteroaryl group (n, R^9 , R^{10} and R^{11} are as defined above)

R²⁷ is -OH, an alkoxy group, an alkyl group, -NH₂,

-NH-alkyl or $-N(-alkyl)_2$,

 R^{28} and R^{29} are each independently a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group or - $(CH_2)_w$ - R^{32} , wherein w is 0-3 and R^{32} is -OH, -CF₃, an alkoxy group, -CONH₂ or -N(R^{33})(R^{34})

wherein R³³ and R³⁴ are each independently a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group, -CO-alkyl, or in combination form

$$-N$$
 X_2 (X_2 is as defined above)

or R²⁸ and R²⁹ in combination form

$$- \sqrt{ { { X_{3}^{35}} \atop { {R^{36}} } } }$$

wherein X₃ is -CO-, -CH₂- or -CH₂-CH₂-, X₄ is

-O-, -(CH₂)_t-, -N(R²⁵)- or
$$Y_2$$

wherein Y_2 is cycloalkyl or heterocycloalkyl and t and R^{25} are as defined above, and R^{35} and R^{36} are each independently a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, an alkyl group optionally substituted by -OH, -OH, -CN, -NO₂, an alkoxy group, a cycloalkyl group, an alkenyl group, -CO- R^{37} , -N(R^{38})(R^{39})

wherein R³⁷ is -OH, an alkoxy group, -NH₂,

-NH-alkyl, -N(-alkyl)₂ or
$$(X_2 \text{ is as defined above})$$

wherein the alkyl group in -NH-alkyl and -N(-alkyl)₂ and the alkoxy group are optionally substituted by 1 to 5 substituents each independently selected from a halogen atom, -CF₃, -OH, an alkoxy group, a haloalkoxy group,

-N(R⁹)(R¹⁰), -CN, -NO₂, a cycloalkyl group, an alkenyl group,

-CO-R¹¹, an aryl group and a heteroaryl group (R⁹, R¹⁰ and R¹¹ are as defined above),

wherein the aryl group and the heteroaryl group are optionally substituted by 1 to 3 substituents each independently selected from a halogen atom, a haloalkyl group, an alkyl group, $-(CH_2)_n$ -OH, $-N(R^9)(R^{10})$, -CN, $-NO_2$, an alkoxy group, a cycloalkyl group, an alkenyl group, $-CO-R^{11}$, an aryl group and a heteroaryl group (n, R^9 , R^{10} and R^{11} are as defined above), and

 ${
m R}^{38}$ and ${
m R}^{39}$ are each independently a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group, -CO-alkyl or -CO-O-alkyl, and

R³⁰ and R³¹ are each independently a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group optionally

wherein x is 0-3, R^{40} is an alkyl group or -NH₂, R^{41} is a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group optionally substituted by -OH, -OH, an alkoxy group, an alkoxyalkyl group or -(CH₂)_s-N(R^{42})(R^{43})

wherein s is as defined above and R⁴² and R⁴³ are each independently a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group, -OH, an alkoxy group, or in combination form

$$-N$$
 X_3
 X_4
 R^{36}
 $(X_3, X_4, R^{35} \text{ and } R^{36} \text{ are as defined above),}$

$$V_2$$
 is =CH- or =N- and W_2 is -C(R⁴⁴)(R⁴⁵)-, -O- or -N(R⁴⁶)-

wherein R^{44} and R^{45} are each independently a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group, an alkoxy group, a haloalkyl group, -(CH₂)_r-OH, -CO-R⁴⁷ or -N(R⁴⁸)(R⁴⁹)

wherein r is as defined above, R^{47} is -OH, an alkoxy group, an alkoxyalkyl group, -N(R^{50})(R^{51})

wherein R^{50} and R^{51} are each independently a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group, -(CH₂)_s-OH (s is as defined above) or an alkoxyalkyl group, and

 R^{48} and R^{49} are each independently a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group, -CO-alkyl or -CO-O-alkyl, and

R⁴⁶ is a hydrogen atom, -CO-R⁵² or -SO₂-R⁵²

wherein R⁵² is an alkyl group, an alkoxy group, -NH-alkyl or -N(-alkyl)₂ or

R³⁰ and R³¹ in combination form

$$-N$$
 X_3
 X_4
 R^{36}
 $(X_3, X_4, R^{35} \text{ and } R^{36} \text{ are as defined above), or }$

R⁴ and R⁵ in combination may form -O-alkylene-O-,

a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

- 2. (original): The triazole compound of claim 1, wherein Z is $-(CH(R^{14}))_p$ and p is 0, a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.
- 3. (original): The triazole compound of claim 2, wherein Y is a C_{3-8} cycloalkyl group, a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.
- 4. (original): The triazole compound of claim 3, wherein Ar¹ is a phenyl group, a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.
- 5. (original): The triazole compound of claim 4, wherein R² and R³ are each independently a halogen atom or a hydrogen atom, a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.
- 6. (currently amended): The triazole compound of any of claims 1 to 5claim 1, wherein Ar^2 is a phenyl group, R^4 is a hydrogen atom and R^5 is $-CO-N(R^{28})(R^{29})$, a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

- 7. (original): The triazole compound of claim 6, wherein R²⁸ and R²⁹ are each independently a hydrogen atom or an alkyl group, a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.
- 8. (currently amended): The triazole compound of any of claims 1 to 5claim 1, wherein Ar^2 is a phenyl group, R^4 is a hydrogen atom and R^5 is $-N(R^{30})(R^{31})$ wherein R^{30} is a hydrogen atom and R^{31} is $-(CH_2)_x$ -CO- R^{41} , a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.
- 9. (original): The triazole compound of claim 8, wherein X is 0 and R⁴¹ is an alkoxy group, a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.
- 10. (original): The triazole compound of claim 8, wherein X is 0 and R^{41} is $(CH_2)_s$ - $N(R^{42})(R^{43})$, a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.
- 11. (original): The triazole compound of claim 10, wherein s is $0, R^{42}$ is a hydrogen atom and R^{43} is an alkoxy group, a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.
- 12. (currently amended): The triazole compound of any of claims 1 to 5claim 1, wherein Ar^2 is a phenyl group, R^4 is a hydrogen atom and R^5 is $-N(R^{30})(R^{31})$ wherein R^{30} and R^{31} are joined to form

$$-N$$
 X_3
 X_4
 R^{35}

and X_3 is -CO-, a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

- 13. (original): The triazole compound of claim 12, wherein X_4 is -0-, a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.
 - 14. (original): The triazole compound of claim 1, which is

 3-chloro-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenyl-cyclopropyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]-benzamide,

{3-chloro-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcyclopropyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]benzoyl}morpholine hydrochloride,

3-chloro-N-methyl-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcyclopropyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]benzamide hydrochloride,

3-chloro-N,N-dimethyl-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcyclopropyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]benzamide hydrochloride,

3-chloro-N-(2-hydroxy-ethyl)-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcyclopropyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]benzamide,

3-chloro-N-isopropyl-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcyclopropyl)4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]benzamide,

{3-chloro-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenyl-cyclopropyl)-4H[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]benzoyl}piperidine hydrochloride,

{3-chloro-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcyclopropyl)-4H[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]benzoyl}-(4-hydroxy)piperidine,

N-carbamoylmethyl-3-chloro-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcyclopropyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]benzamide,

3-chloro-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcyclopropyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]-N-(2,2,2-trifluoro-ethyl)-benzamide hydrochloride,

N-(2-acetylamino)ethyl-3-chloro-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcyclopropyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]benzamide hydrochloride,

3-chloro-N-(2-methoxy)ethyl-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcyclopropyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]benzamide hydrochloride,

1-acetyl-(4-{3-Chloro-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcyclopropyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]benzoyl}piperazine hydrochloride,

3-chloro-N-(2-dimethylamino)ethyl-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcyclopropyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]benzamide,

3-chloro-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcyclopropyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]-N-(2-morpholin-4-yl)ethylbenzamide,

4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcyclopropyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]-3-methoxybenzamide,

3-chloro-4-{4-methyl-5-[1-(4-fluorophenyl)cyclopropyl]-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl}benzamide,

3-chloro-N-metyl-4-{4-methyl-5-[1-(4-fluoro-phenyl)cyclopropyl]-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl}benzamide,

4-[4-isopropyl-5-(1-phenylcyclopropyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]benzamide,

3-chloro-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-thiophen-2-yl)cyclopropyl-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]benzamide,

4-{5-[1-(4-fluorophenyl)cyclopropyl]-4-isopropyl-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl}benzamide,

4-chloro-3-{5-[1-(4-fluorophenyl)cyclopropyl]-4-methyl-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl}benzamide,

4-chloro-3-{5-[1-phenylcyclopropyl]-4-methyl-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl}benzamide,

3-chloro-4-[4-ethyl-5-(1-phenylcyclopropyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]benzamide,

3-chloro-4-{4-ethyl-5-[1-(4-fluorophenyl)cyclopropyl]-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl}benzamide,

3-[4-isopropyl-5-(1-phenylcyclopropyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]benzamide,

3-{5-[1-(4-fluoro-phenyl)cyclopropyl]-4-isopropyl-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl}benzamide,

N- { 3-chloro-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcycloproppyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]phenyl } - 1-morpholinecarboxamide,

- 3-{3-chloro-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcyclopropyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]-phenyl}-1,1-dimethylurea,
 - {3-chloro-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcyclopropyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]-phenyl}urea,
- ethyl N-{3-Chloro-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenyl-cyclopropyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]-phenyl}-carbamate,
- N- { 3-chloro-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcycloproppyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]phenyl } 1-(4-methoxypiperidine)carboxamide,
- N- { 3-chloro-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcycloproppyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]phenyl } 1-(3-hydroxypiperidine)carboxamide,
- N- { 3-chloro-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcycloproppyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]phenyl } 1-(4-hydroxypiperidine)carboxamide,
- 1-{3-chloro-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcyclopropyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]-phenyl}-3-methoxyurea,
- 1-{3-chloro-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcyclopropyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]phenyl}-3-hydroxy-3-methylurea,
- 1-(3-chloro-4-{5-[1-(4-fluorophenyl)cyclopropyl]-4-methyl-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl}phenyl)-3-methoxyurea,
- 1-(4-{5-[1-(4-fluorophenyl)cyclopropyl]-4-isopropyl-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl}phenyl)-3-methoxyurea,
- 1-(3-{5-[1-(4-fluorophenyl)cyclopropyl]-4-isopropyl-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl}phenyl)-3-methoxyurea,
- 3-{3-chloro-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcyclopropyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]-phenyl}oxazolidin-2-one,

1-{3-chloro-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcyclopropyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]phenyl}imidazolidin-2-one,

3-(3-chloro-4-{5-[1-(4-fluoro-phenyl)cyclopropyl]-4-methyl-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl}phenyl)oxazolidin-2-one,

3-(4-{5-[1-(4-fluorophenyl)cyclopropyl]-4-isopropyl-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl}phenyl)oxazolidin-2-one,

3-(4-chloro-3-{5-[1-(4-fluorophenyl)cyclopropyl]-4-methyl-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl}phenyl)oxazolidin-2-one,

3-(3-{5-[1-(4-fluorophenyl)cyclopropyl]-4-isopropyl-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl}phenyl)oxazolidin-2-one,

methyl N-(4-chloro-3-{5-[1-(4-fluorophenyl)cyclopropyl]-4-methyl-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl}phenyl)carbamate,

a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

15. (original): The triazole compound of claim 1, which is

3-chloro-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenyl-cyclopropyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]-benzamide,

{3-chloro-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcyclopropyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]benzoyl}morpholine hydrochloride,

3-chloro-N-methyl-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcyclopropyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]benzamide hydrochloride,

3-chloro-N,N-dimethyl-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcyclopropyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]benzamide hydrochloride,

3-chloro-N-(2-hydroxy-ethyl)-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcyclopropyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]benzamide,

3-chloro-N-isopropyl-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcyclopropyl)4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]benzamide,

{3-chloro-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenyl-cyclopropyl)-4H[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]benzoyl}piperidine hydrochloride,

{3-chloro-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcyclopropyl)-4H[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]benzoyl}-(4-hydroxy)piperidine,

N-carbamoylmethyl-3-chloro-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcyclopropyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]benzamide,

3-chloro-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcyclopropyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]-N-(2,2,2-trifluoro-ethyl)-benzamide hydrochloride,

N-(2-acetylamino)ethyl-3-chloro-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcyclopropyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]benzamide hydrochloride,

3-chloro-N-(2-methoxy)ethyl-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcyclopropyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]benzamide hydrochloride,

1-acetyl-(4-{3-Chloro-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcyclopropyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]benzoyl}piperazine hydrochloride,

3-chloro-N-(2-dimethylamino)ethyl-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcyclopropyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]benzamide,

3-chloro-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcyclopropyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]-N-(2-morpholin-4-yl)ethylbenzamide,

4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcyclopropyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]-3-methoxybenzamide,

3-chloro-4-{4-methyl-5-[1-(4-fluorophenyl)cyclopropyl]-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl}benzamide,

3-chloro-N-metyl-4-{4-methyl-5-[1-(4-fluoro-phenyl)cyclopropyl]-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl}benzamide,

4-[4-isopropyl-5-(1-phenylcyclopropyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]benzamide,

3-chloro-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-thiophen-2-yl)cyclopropyl-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]benzamide,

4-{5-[1-(4-fluorophenyl)cyclopropyl]-4-isopropyl-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl}benzamide,

4-chloro-3-{5-[1-(4-fluorophenyl)cyclopropyl]-4-methyl-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl}benzamide,

4-chloro-3-{5-[1-phenylcyclopropyl]-4-methyl-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl}benzamide,

3-chloro-4-[4-ethyl-5-(1-phenylcyclopropyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]benzamide,

3-chloro-4-{4-ethyl-5-[1-(4-fluorophenyl)cyclopropyl]-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl}benzamide,

3-[4-isopropyl-5-(1-phenylcyclopropyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]benzamide,

 $3-\{5-[1-(4-fluoro-phenyl)cyclopropyl]-4-isopropyl-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl\} benzamide,\\$

a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

16. (original): The triazole compound of claim 1, which is

N- { 3-chloro-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcycloproppyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]phenyl } - 1-morpholinecarboxamide,

3-{3-chloro-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcyclopropyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]-phenyl}-1,1-dimethylurea,

{3-chloro-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcyclopropyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]-phenyl}urea,

- ethyl N-{3-Chloro-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenyl-cyclopropyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]-phenyl}-carbamate,
- N- { 3-chloro-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcycloproppyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]phenyl } 1-(4-methoxypiperidine)carboxamide,
- N- { 3-chloro-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcycloproppyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]phenyl } 1-(3-hydroxypiperidine)carboxamide,
- N- { 3-chloro-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcycloproppyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]phenyl } 1-(4-hydroxypiperidine)carboxamide,
- 1-{3-chloro-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcyclopropyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]-phenyl}-3-methoxyurea,
- 1-{3-chloro-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcyclopropyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]phenyl}-3-hydroxy-3-methylurea,
- 1-(3-chloro-4-{5-[1-(4-fluorophenyl)cyclopropyl]-4-methyl-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl}phenyl)-3-methoxyurea,
- 1-(4-{5-[1-(4-fluorophenyl)cyclopropyl]-4-isopropyl-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl}phenyl)-3-methoxyurea,
- 1-(3-{5-[1-(4-fluorophenyl)cyclopropyl]-4-isopropyl-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl}phenyl)-3-methoxyurea,

a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

- 17. (original): The triazole compound of claim 1, which is
- 3-{3-chloro-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcyclopropyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]-phenyl}oxazolidin-2-one,
- 1-{3-chloro-4-[4-methyl-5-(1-phenylcyclopropyl)-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl]phenyl}imidazolidin-2-one,

- 3-(3-chloro-4-{5-[1-(4-fluoro-phenyl)cyclopropyl]-4-methyl-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl}phenyl)oxazolidin-2-one,
- 3-(4-{5-[1-(4-fluorophenyl)cyclopropyl]-4-isopropyl-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl}phenyl)oxazolidin-2-one,
- 3-(4-chloro-3-{5-[1-(4-fluorophenyl)cyclopropyl]-4-methyl-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl}phenyl)oxazolidin-2-one,
- 3-(3-{5-[1-(4-fluorophenyl)cyclopropyl]-4-isopropyl-4H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl}phenyl)oxazolidin-2-one,

a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

- 18. (currently amended): A pharmaceutical composition comprising the triazole compound of any of claims 1 to 17claim 1, a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.
- 19. (currently amended): An HSD1 (11beta-hydroxysteroid dehydrogenase 1) inhibitor comprising the triazole compound of any of claims 1 to 17claim 1, a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof as an effective component.
- 20. (currently amended): A therapeutic or prophylactic drug of diabetes, which comprises the triazole compound of any of claims 1 to 17claim 1, a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof as an effective component.
- 21. (original): A therapeutic or prophylactic drug of obesity, which comprises the triazole compound of any of claims 1 to 17claim 1, a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof as an effective component.
- 22. (currently amended): A therapeutic or prophylactic drug of metabolic syndrome, which comprises the triazole compound of any of claims 1 to 17claim 1, a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof as an effective component.

- 23. (currently amended): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of diabetes, which comprises administering an effective amount of the triazole compound of any of claims 1 to 17claim 1, a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof to a mammal.
- **24.** (currently amended): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of obesity, which comprises administering an effective amount of the triazole compound of any of claims 1 to 17claim 1, a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof to a mammal.
- 25. (currently amended): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of metabolic syndrome, which comprises administering an effective amount of the triazole compound of any of claims 1 to 17claim 1, a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof to a mammal.
- **26.** (original): The method of claim 23, wherein a different therapeutic drug of diabetes is used in combination.
- 27. (original): The method of claim 26, wherein the different therapeutic drug of diabetes is one or more pharmaceutical agents selected from the group consisting of an insulin preparation, a sulfonylurea, an insulin secretagogue, a sulfonamide, a biguanide, an α -glucosidase inhibitor and an insulin sensitizer.
- 28. (original): The method of claim 27, wherein the different therapeutic drug of diabetes is one or more pharmaceutical agents selected from the group consisting of insulin, glibenclamide, tolbutamide, glyclopyramide, acetohexamide, glimepiride, tolazamide, gliclazide, nateglinide, glybuzole, metformin hydrochloride, buformine hydrochloride, voglibose, acarbose and pioglitazone hydrochloride.
- 29. (original): The method of claim 24, wherein a different therapeutic drug of diabetes is used in combination.
- 30. (original): The method of claim 29, wherein the different therapeutic drug of diabetes is one or more pharmaceutical agents selected from the group consisting of an

insulin preparation, a sulfonylurea, an insulin secretagogue, a sulfonamide, a biguanide, an α -glucosidase inhibitor and an insulin sensitizer.

- 31. (original): The method of claim 30, wherein the different therapeutic drug of diabetes is one or more pharmaceutical agents selected from the group consisting of insulin, glibenclamide, tolbutamide, glyclopyramide, acetohexamide, glimepiride, tolazamide, gliclazide, nateglinide, glybuzole, metformin hydrochloride, buformine hydrochloride, voglibose, acarbose and pioglitazone hydrochloride.
- 32. (original): The method of claim 25, wherein a different therapeutic drug of diabetes is used in combination.
- 33. (original): The method of claim 32, wherein the different therapeutic drug of diabetes is one or more pharmaceutical agents selected from the group consisting of an insulin preparation, a sulfonylurea, an insulin secretagogue, a sulfonamide, a biguanide, an α -glucosidase inhibitor and an insulin sensitizer.
- 34. (original): The method of claim 33, wherein the different therapeutic drug of diabetes is one or more pharmaceutical agents selected from the group consisting of insulin, glibenclamide, tolbutamide, glyclopyramide, acetohexamide, glimepiride, tolazamide, gliclazide, nateglinide, glybuzole, metformin hydrochloride, buformine hydrochloride, voglibose, acarbose and pioglitazone hydrochloride.
- 35. (original): The method of claim 23, wherein a different therapeutic drug of obesity is used in combination.
- **36.** (original): The method of claim 35, wherein the different therapeutic drug of obesity is Mazindol.
- 37. (original): The method of claim 24, wherein a different therapeutic drug of obesity is used in combination.
- 38. (original): The method of claim 37, wherein the different therapeutic drug of obesity is Mazindol.

- 39. (original): The method of claim 25, wherein a different therapeutic drug of obesity is used in combination.
- **40. (original):** The method of claim 39, wherein the different therapeutic drug of obesity is Mazindol.